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DIRECTORS OF HEALTH ASSOCIATION TO BE ELECTED TOMORROW NIGHT !!!

DRUG STORE OPENS TOMORROW NIGHT

At 7:30 P.M. tomorrow, April 21, the Greenbelt Drug Store will open its doors to an expectant citizenry--but only for a preview. Actually, the store will begin doing business at noon, the following day, April 22.

The store was officially inspected and approved Monday, April 18, when it underwent an affectionate but severe scrutiny by Percy S. Brown and Herbert E. Evans, President and Treasurer, respectively of the Consumer Distribution Corporation. Mr. Brown left no doubt that he was highly pleased. To Mr. Evans, the opening is especially gratifying since he has personally supervised every stage in the preparation and outfitting of this store.

Also pleased will be Mr. and Mrs. John P. Greenbelt, who have been more or less patiently waiting these many weeks for a chance to buy a soda or two at their own fountain.

Mr. and Mrs. Greenbelt will have reason to be proud of their store as the equipment is of the best and the stock is of high quality.

Along the lines of merchandise to be carried in the store are: Cooperative Distributors Merchandise, Merck's, Parke Davis, Squibb's, Johnson and Johnson, and the Silver Line.

The latter brand, although reasonably priced, is a good buy for the consumer and yields a satisfactory margin
(See "Drug Store", Page 2)

FIRST QUARTERLY MEETING ON THURSDAY

An open meeting of the Greenbelt Health Association will be held at eight-thirty o'clock tomorrow evening in the social room at the school.

The primary purpose of the meeting is the election of the new Board of Directors. According to the by-laws, approved at the meeting of March 16th, the directors elected will hold office until January, 1939.

All residents of Greenbelt are invited to attend the meeting, but only members of the association are eligible to vote for the directors. All citizens who join prior to the beginning of the meeting may vote.

The election is a particularly important one as upon the new officers will fall the responsibility of getting the Association properly started. All members of the Association are urged to attend, and to give serious consideration to the qualifications of the candidates.

The candidates nominated thus far are: H. Hesse, Mrs. J. Letkemann, A. Dickerman, R. Mooney, A. Plackett, G. Talbott, J. Wheeling, J. Teel, H. Wood, G. Moore, F. Donoghue, Mrs. Theo. Wilson, Mrs. Fundine, J. Dunaway, Mrs. W. McAchren, D. Wagstaff, Mrs. L. Dodson and Mrs. Leo Schmidt.

Newcomers to Greenbelt are invited to attend the meeting. Members of the temporary committee will be glad to explain the plan to them.

Also on the agenda of the meeting
(See "Health", Page 2)

CIVIC FORUM ** TONIGHT AUDITORIUM

Ballet Entertainment Here

The Greenbelt Citizens Association announces the presentation of the Washington National Ballet in the School auditorium, Saturday, April 30, at 8:15 P.M.

Miss Lisa Gardiner, nationally known exponent of Ballet dancing, will conduct the program. In the last issue of the Cooperator, the program was explained in detail.

Admission charge is 25¢ per person and tickets are available to all.

LONESOME GREENBELTIAN

An ultra suspicious fellow citizen of ours sent a sample of our drinking water to the Univ. of Md. for testing.

The drinking water was found completely satisfactory, but another problem was brought to light. The bacterial count read: After 24 hours incubation at 37 degrees centigrade, total per cubic centimeter, one bacterium.*

We are a little fearful that the S. P. C. A. may hear of this report. Just think, one solitary bacterium in a space a trillion times its size. Perhaps we should ask the F. S. A., in the interest of humanity, to please put a few more bacteria in our water supply.

*Note: A count up to 100 bacteria per cubic centimeter is generally regarded as acceptable for drinking water.

DRUG STORE

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store for wages, rent and patronage dividends.

Southern Dairy Ice Cream will be handled.

Relatively small stocks will be carried until consumer preference is sounded out.

A file of consumer bulletins will be kept on hand for public perusal.

The staff of the store will be as follows:

Robert E. Jacobsen, Manager
Frank L. Purdum, Pharmacist.
Vernon C. Iseli, Fountaineer
Mrs. Telmo Araujo, Sales and Fountain

G. C. S. I. EMPLOYEES GIVEN
MEDICAL EXAMINATION

Tuesday, April 12, was a very busy day for Dr. James S. Dryden of the Greenbelt Health Center. For on that day the employees of the Greenbelt Consumer Services, Inc. were examined by the doctor.

Upon the request of their manager, the staffs from the food store, the filling station and office took their turn at the Health Center, where Dr. Dryden gave them a thorough physical examination. Those handling food in particular were given a careful check-up for any possible evidence of communicable disease. None was found.

Except for the fact that several of the help needed dental care, all were found to be in fine physical shape and fit for work.

"It is the policy of the Greenbelt Consumer Services, Inc. to have all food handlers in our stores examined regularly," said Robert E. Jacobsen, assistant manager of that organization.

Upon the advice of Dr. Dryden, and with the approval of Mr. Jacobsen, employees with colds will not be permitted to handle foods.

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are the advisability of shifting the dues date from the first of the month to the fifteenth, and the question of office hours.

Records of the Health Association indicate that there were 164 visits to the Health Center during the first fifteen days of April.

The Association reports that funds from subscriptions have enabled it to purchase quite some small equipment including an infra-red lamp.

Copies of the Health Association by-laws are now available at the Health Center. They are being distributed by mail to all members. Members who have not filled out formal membership cards, listing dependents, are urged to do so, so that membership cards may be issued at once.

Health Center dues and enrollment fees may be paid at any time at the Center at the junction of Ridge and Gardenway roads. The phone is Greenbelt 2121.

BARBER SHOP TO OPEN FRIDAY

Attention, all ye long-haired and bewhiskered Greenbeltians! We have good news for you. Greenbelt's tonorial parlor, under the management of our own incomparable Mr. Michael Juliano, opens Friday at 10:00 A.M.

Mr. Juliano has resigned his position in the Southern Building Barber Shop to undertake his work in Greenbelt.

The hours of the Barber Shop will be from 10:00 A.M. to 8:00 P.M. week days including Saturday. Under the Maryland law the shop cannot be open on Sundays.

The price of haircuts for adults will be 35¢. For children the price will be 25¢ before 1:00 P.M. on Saturdays and before 5:00 P.M. on other week days, and 35¢ after these hours.

The shop will be open for inspection at 7:30 Thursday evening. Its equipment, thoroughly up-to-date and very attractive, is well worth inspecting.

There will be no tipping permitted in the Barber Shop, and no high pressure salesmanship. Tonics and creams will be available for those who request them.

Mr. Juliano at one time owned a barber shop in Atlantic City, where Edward Filene was one of his customers.

OVERNIGHT HIKE

Most of the Blackfeet Patrol went on an overnight hike last Thursday. The hikers were: - Andrew Freeman, John Bozek, Earl Morgan, LeRoy Clark, Tommy Poston, J. L. Dameron, Clayton Nealson, Blake Palmer and Billy Schoeb.

Thursday night about 11:30 Mr. Pettit and Rever Nealson came running up to our camp near the Water Tower and said that there was a fire in Beltsville. We all got in LeRoy's Father's car and went to the fire.

When we came back to camp we played Capture the flag, then went to bed, then got up to play hide-and-go-seek, and then we went to bed again. Later dogs came around and LeRoy Clark and Tommy Poston chased them away. Friday morning we woke up, cooked our Breakfast and then packed our knapsacks and set out for home.
Blake Palmer.

SOCIAL LEADER TO CONDUCT FORUM TONIGHT

Dr. Carl C. Taylor, Head of the Division of Farm Population and Rural Life of the Department of Agriculture, will speak at 8:00 P.M. tonight before the Greenbelt Civic Forum in the School Auditorium.

Dr. Taylor brings with him an enviable record of public service and popularity. He has been Dean of the Graduate School of North Carolina State College, Head of the Subsistence Homestead Division of the Department of Agriculture, Director of the Rural Resettlement Division of Farm Security. He has been an instructor in public speaking, and he has served as an athletic coach. He is a past president of American Country Life Association, a past vice-president of the American Sociological Society, and is now president of the D. C. Sociological Society.

But more than all that, his talks are entertaining as well as instructive, and Greenbelt is honored to be able to add his name to the list of distinguished speakers on its Forum Roster.

LOTS BY LOT

The 1938 estimate for agricultural produce, issued by the U. S. Department of Agriculture, will have to be revised upward if Greenbelt farmers exhibit the same vivacity in their horticultural pursuits as they did Saturday, April 16, when they drew lots to determine the location of their garden plots. Meeting at three different tracts, the gardeners selected a total of 240 sections of 2500 square feet each.

These tracts, temporary for this year, are situated: south of Block C, beyond Northway in the back of Block E, and on the Branchville road near the High School. Interested back-to-the-soilers may place their application for the few remaining plots, with the Community Manager. These gardens are in the Northway area.

The land has been well tilled and has been treated with an application of lime and fertilizer.

It is anticipated that next year will see a permanent garden site, equipped with sprinkling facilities.

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NEWS OF CREDIT UNION

It is with regret that the Greenbelt Federal Credit Union announces the resignation of Mr. Sulo Laakso as Chairman and member of the Credit Committee. Mr. Laakso has worked diligently and conscientiously in that capacity since the organization of the credit union, December 22, 1937. He is deserving of the most generous appreciation and thanks of his fellow workers and fellow members in this cooperative organization, Greenbelt's first real cooperative.

Mr. David R. Steinle was appointed by the Board of Directors to fill this vacancy. He has already demonstrated unusual enthusiasm and faith in the credit union program, and we can all rest assured that he will safeguard the interests of the members.

The resignation, some time ago, of Mr. George Bauer, as Clerk and member of the Board of Directors, received little if any publicity. We feel his loss acutely, but trust he will be of greater service to the community in his new capacity as President of the Athletic Club.

Mrs. Velma Brewer was transferred from the Supervisory Committee to the Board of Directors to take Mr. Bauer's place as Clerk. Her work in both positions has been praiseworthy.

Mr. Robert P. Dahnke was appointed by the remaining members of the Supervisory Committee to fill the vacancy created by the transfer of Mrs. Brewer. He has already proved his worth in the first quarterly audit of the books of the Credit Union.

These new officers and Directors and committeemen will serve in their respective capacities until the next annual meeting of the Credit Union in January, 1939.

The books of the credit union were recently audited by Mr. Wymer from the Farm Credit Administration, and found to be in order.

We have already had the rare pleasure of a visit by such leaders of the credit union movement as Mr. Orchard, Director of the Federal Credit Union Section of the Farm Credit Administration, Mr. Roy F. Bergengren, Managing Director of the

STORE SALES INCREASE

With receipts of the Food Store and Filling Station totalling \$3108.43 for the week of April 10-16, the Greenbelt stores sales reached a new high.

Total sales in the Food Store for this period amounted to \$2708.10; for the Filling Station -- \$400.33, the latter showing an increase of \$106.32 over the previous week.

Saturday, April 16, was a record day for the Food Store, the sales of \$977.99 topping the best previous Saturday by over one hundred dollars.

C. O. C. HOLD ITS FIRST MEETING
ELECTS SUB-COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN

The newly elected Cooperative Organizing Committee held its first meeting Wednesday, April 13. Mr. Evans acted as temporary chairman until Mr. Peter J. Carroll was unanimously elected chairman.

Then followed the selection of chairmen of the sub-committees and the secretary - treasurer.

Dr. Linden S. Dodson, Chairman of Theatre Committee, Mrs. Bertha Maryn, Chairman of Variety Store, Mr. Reed Maughan, Chairman of Gasoline Station, Mr. William R. Poole, Chairman of Food Store, Mr. Thos. R. Freeman, Chairman of Drug Store, Mr. Chas. Fitch, Chairman of Shoe Shop and Laundry, Mr. Fred Wilde, Chairman of Barber and Beauty Shops, Mr. Henry Little, Secretary-Treasurer.

A public meeting is to be held very soon.

Credit Union National Association, Mr. Thomas Doig and Miss Dora Maxwell of the Credit Union National Association. We can feel complimented by their assurance that our Greenbelt Federal Credit Union has made a splendid start, and is progressing rapidly and properly. Let us all strive for 100% membership of the Greenbelt citizenry in our own Credit Union. Applications for membership and loans will be welcomed by Mr. Glendon L. Allred, Treasurer.

The office is the meeting room above the Drug Store. Office Hours are:

From 5 to 7 P.M. Saturdays

From 6.30 to 8.00 P.M. Gov't Pay-days.

G. L. A.

DRAMA -- THEATRE.

The GREENBELT PLAYERS proved to be a veritable fountain of news this week. Our man dropped in at their headquarters as is his wont on Friday evenings and casually asked, "What is new?" Before he could seek cover he had all the news he would be fit to print for weeks. He lists as much of it below as the editors would allow.

Prevailing over the trials and tribulations that have beset their path ever since they started production, the Players at last announce the definite opening of their group of one act plays. The evenings of May 6 and 7 have been selected and on those two nights history will be in the making. If there is a member of our community who does not find it hard to wait that long he lacks in the spirit and civic pride for which we are already famous.

The arrival of the curtain for the stage of the moving picture house was the final hump in the road to success and now the powers that be have assured it's arrival on time to go up at the proper moment and with the proper air of momentous unveiling.

THE PLAYERS are conducting a poster contest in conjunction with their productions. This is in keeping with contest mania that has swept the country and should enable us to retain our union card in Local No. 77.

THE CONTEST RULES.

1. Any Greenbelt citizen is eligible to compete.
2. All material submitted must be on stiff or semi-stiff paper 15"X20".
3. The subject matter should embrace the titles of all three plays:
THE BATHROOM DOOR
PHIPPS
DANGER
4. The prizes will be in two groups. The first adult prize will be four tickets to the plays and the second place winner will receive two tickets. In the youngsters' group the first prize will be two tickets and the runner up will receive one.

J. P. M.

MILK TALK.

An extremely enthusiastic though somewhat small audience listened attentively to a Milk Talk given by Mr. Earl G. Brown and Mrs. Elizabeth Thrasher of Thompson Dairy, Thursday evening. The talk was sponsored by the Consumer Discussion Groups with Miss Ollie Hoffman presiding.

Mr. Brown outlined the course taken by milk sold in the District before it is finally delivered to the consumer. "The milk sold in the District is controlled by a milk ordinance that is patterned after the United States government ordinance, considered one of the highest in the country", said Mr. Brown.

Mrs. Thrasher, registered nurse, explained why milk was considered such a vital food. "One quart of milk equals in caloric value a pound of steak", explained Mrs. Thrasher. "Milk contains all the minerals that the human body needs.

"Milk is not fattening", continued Mrs. Thrasher, "and one could go on a reducing diet by drinking milk providing one cut down on other foods".

During the question period that followed the Greenbelt citizens proved their consumer consciousness by pelting the speakers with questions. Several interesting and significant facts were brought out, as for example the following:

A very low bacterial count in pasteurized milk does not necessarily mean that the milk is good milk. High temperature can bring the bacteria count down, but there is this danger involved: - high temperature kills the bacillus acidopholus (the germ which sours milk) one of whose functions is to act as a sort of alarm signal by turning the milk sour. If that helpful bacteria is killed the milk remains sweet tasting for a longer period of time, but other very harmful bacteria, whose presence is not tasted but whose work may be felt by the digestive system, may develop.

The meeting adjourned at 9:30 but the "crusaders for facts" lingered on in groups of 3's and 4's to continue the discussion. Mrs. Thrasher distributed dairy recipes.

B. M.

NOTES ON GREENBELT SOIL

To the would-be farmer of Greenbelt: "Won't it be great when our vegetables get the size of the ones on the seed catalogue!" But, on stopping to think, maybe ours will not be better than the ones pictured. What about the soil?

Without doubt a farmer of the midwest, where you will find some of the best soil in the world, would be very sad if he found his "black" loam replaced with the kind of soil we have about here. It has stones for which many of his tools were not made. It is acid and is perhaps low in calcium. Neither of these factors would help the grass crops on which he depends. The organic matter is lower, which may mean that the natural plant food is lower. This low organic matter content is also a factor in the formation of a crust on the surface after rains, which may even stop part of the crop from coming up. Some soils near here have an objectionable crust.

If the soil is so bad why try to raise a garden at all?

Greenhouse operators, who must raise their crops, say water is most important and that next comes sunlight, (bright days) and third, soil. We all know that it rains here, therefore, most of the watering is cared for, but not always at the right time. There will be times when more water will help. In that case we want a lot or none. A little may do more harm than good. As to the sunlight, we do not need to worry about that. Besides worry is all we could do about it anyway.

The soils near here are mostly, I believe, loams, and even if they are not the best their texture is usually favorable and they are a long way from being the worst soils in the world. On sands and loams crops can be planted earlier in the spring than on clays, as they warm faster. Less time will be lost because of rains as light textured soils dry faster and can be worked over a much wider range of moisture content than can clays. Less work is necessary to care for them as clods do not form so readily and if formed are not so hard to break. Even weeds are easier to pull.

AMERICAN LEGION ACTIVITIES

One of our major activities at this season of the year is Junior Baseball Leagues. We believe that the great American game of baseball teaches lessons in citizenship, and concrete Americanism and is not played only to build up championship teams.

The code is:- Keep the rules - Keep faith with your comrade - Keep your temper - Keep yourself fit - Keep a stout heart in defeat - Keep your pride under in victory and Keep a sound soul, a clean mind and a healthy body. This Code of Sportmanship creates a foundation for good citizens.

The local Post believes that if it can have the support of the community, both management and citizens, we can carry this program through to the highest ideals and results. And of course, like all social activities, it requires that a certain amount of funds be raised.

The next regular Legion meeting will be held on Thursday, April 21st, at 8:00 P.M. Let all veterans of Greenbelt be present.

Adjutant, Greenbelt Post #136

RADIATOR VALVES

New type valves, to replace those now in our radiators have been ordered.

The valves now in our radiators are the usual hot water valves, with a so-called "weep-hole", so that they cannot be shut off completely. The weep-hole is to prevent danger of freezing.

The new valves, by means of which the radiator can be shut off completely, will be inserted in all our homes as soon after they are received as possible.

The garden plots are plowed and fertilized. You may want to add a little more ordinary fertilizer near some crops as the season progresses. Some good old fashioned flowers will add color to your homes.

Cooperation comes in in trading seeds, plants, products, experiences and stores as well as time and labor. We can have some fun, get some fresh vegetables, get a coat of tan, improve our health, and learn to know our fellow men by making a garden.

E. M. Miles

NEWS PHOTOGRAPHER RESIDES IN GREENBELT

by Louis Bessemer

It's only one-sixteenth of a second between success and failure! You learn this fundamental truth from the Kaleidoscopic life of Harry Griffin, Greenbelt's ace cameraman, who daily tackles many exacting assignments which come to him through the Associated Press Bureau in Washington.

Mr. Griffin moved into Greenbelt with Mrs. Griffin six weeks ago, and they have "discovered solid comfort" in one of the new apartments here.

"My wife and I have adjusted ourselves to our new surroundings. For me, particularly, it is refreshing to put on a lounging robe and a comfortable pair of slippers at the end of the day - because I can go back to work the next day feeling fit as a fiddle," Griffin says. "This country air is swell!"

You gather that the simplicities of life count heavily with Harry Griffin. For, daily he sees the great and near-great in the councils of government and industry. The "passing show" with all its excitement, is fodder for Griffin's AP cameras.

Six years ago Harry Griffin began work for the AP Bureau at the Baltimore Sun. After covering Baltimore assignments for four years, he obtained a transfer to the National Capital.

During the past year he has had regular assignments at the White House, where in addition to the President's family, the President, diplomats, and Cabinet officers, he has "covered" special conferences, and many personalities who have business there.

One of Photographer Griffin's pictures of a gathering at the White House--during the President's Birthday Ball--received a double-page spread in Life Magazine in February.

Hundreds of Griffin's pictures have been syndicated by the AP to its clients in all parts of the nation.

About three years ago, in Baltimore, young Griffin snapped a picture of (Peace Feathers) Woody Hockaday which stands out as one of the most sensational and dramatic news pictures in recent years. The Baltimore Sun gave the picture a special run on two suc-

MAGAZINE DESCRIBES GREENBELT SCHOOL

The March 1938 issue of the magazine "The Architectural Forum" contains (on pages 234 through 236) an interesting article on the Greenbelt Elementary School. The article is illustrated with several pictures.

BOY SCOUTS HOLD COUNCIL FIRE

A large group of Boy Scouts held a Council Fire near the lake last Thursday evening. Mr. Pettit talked to us and afterwards we sang and played "Capture the Flag" and told stories. Most of the Scouts then went on an overnight hike.

At the closing we gave the Scout benediction.

Jack Brewer.

cessive days in a one-third page spread.

Woody Hockaday, if you remember, is an obnoxious "peace worker" who goes about the country, half naked, forcing himself into high places where he thinks he can do the cause of peace some good.

In this spirit Hockaday dashed into a legion banquet room in Baltimore with a sack of chicken feathers--and, in the midst of a delightful dinner affair scattered the feathers everywhere over the heads of the banquet crowd.

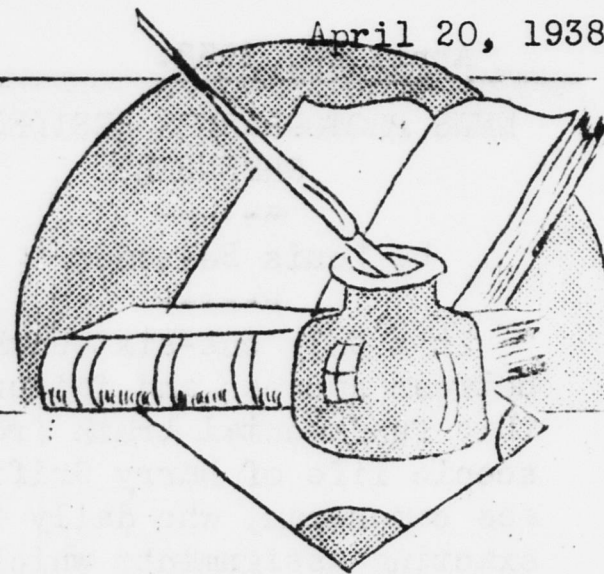
"A storm of indignation broke loose," Griffin recalls. "I fortunately caught the man in his act, just before he was mobbed--while I too, narrowly escaped with my life,--because nobody there desired that I get out with those pictures."

Griffin thinks it is a fine move for Greenbelt camera enthusiasts to establish a camera club here. Mrs. Griffin hasn't discovered just what hobbies she will follow here. "The photographer's business can be described in three words," Mr. Griffin says, "Art -- Courage -- Tact".

The youthful Griffin is probably the youngest NEWS camera man in the White House press corps. He is a member of the Newspaper Guild.

On the walls of his apartment hangs a picture that Mr. Griffin prizes more than any other. It is an autographed photograph of President Roosevelt inscribed to Harry Griffin.

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GREENBELT'S MAIN STREET

We learned recently that "Main Street" in Greenbelt, like Main Street in 'most any other town, is dangerous.

"Main Street" in Greenbelt, unlike Main Street in 'most any other town,

COME OUT TO HEAR DR. TAYLOR TONIGHT
8.30 P.M. School Auditorium

need not be dangerous to pedestrians.

No pedestrian need cross Crescent Road to get from any part of town to any other. Whatever his destination, there is an underpass to lead him there.

Let us remember, when we walk the highway, that where we go, the children will follow.

W. R. V.

COOPERATIVES AND EDUCATION

Dr. John Dewey has pointed out in his book "Democracy and Education", whose title we have paraphrased, that since the people of a democracy must rule that democracy, a condition essential to its success must be the education of the people in the meaning and practice of democracy and in the meaning and practice of government.

The thesis is simple, but the implications are enormous. Application to our elementary schools, for example, has already produced entirely new type schools, such as we have in Greenbelt, and abrupt renovation of subject matter and teaching technique in old type schools.

Greenbelt parents sometimes wonder why their children enjoy going to school. Nothing like the old days, when it took the rod to get the child to school, and then the rod to teach him anything. Has education become puerile?

No, but education is becoming real. Education for a democracy does not mean the absorbtion of ponderous dissertations on government and society-it means practice in government, and social experience. Students are governing more and more of their affairs at school, and students could have no better education in government. Not only do they learn more about the significance of govern-

ment, but they develop an interest in government, striking when compared with the indifference of the average adult.

In studying China, the children carry on "projects" dealing with China -- showing how Chinese behave; what their homes are like, how they are governed, how they amuse themselves. Geography is not the study of names of countries and their capitals, of multi-colored maps; history is not the absorption of an endless series of dates; but geography is a study of the world's people, and history, of the world events. Only by knowing people and knowing events, by knowing how people can and do live, and what events can and do happen, can our children be prepared to rule our democracy.

And rule they must, if the United States is to remain a democracy.

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So if a democracy is to succeed, its people must understand democracy -- its weakness, its strength, its history.

So too, if a cooperative is to succeed, its people must understand cooperatives -- their weakness, their strength, their history. For a cooperative is a small economic democracy. It is ruled by the people, and the people must know what they are doing.

In eighteen months the people of Greenbelt must decide whether they wish to have cooperative stores in Greenbelt. This does not mean they are to decide whether or not they wish to run the stores now in operation in this community, for these stores are cooperatives in name only -- they are being nurtured and prepared by a philanthropic organization for the day when we may, if we wish, convert them into cooperatives.

Before these eighteen months have passed, we must learn something about the implications of undertaking cooperative enterprises. And eighteen months are none too long, for to learn about the weakness and the strength and the history of cooperatives is to learn a goodly portion of the world's knowledge with which most of us are strikingly unfamiliar.

Before we even consider taking over these stores, there are questions we must answer: Why is it said that the cooperative stores bring democracy to business? If the cooperative store

is the natural business organism in a democracy, why is it not now the dominant business organism in our democracy? To what extent have cooperatives spread in this country? To what extent have they been successful in this country? -- and to what extent unsuccessful? What have been some of the problems groups have met when they undertook the management of cooperatives? -- and what have been some of the rewards? In what fields have cooperatives succeeded? -- and in what fields have cooperatives failed? What part have cooperatives played in European history? -- and in that of the rest of the world? These questions we must consider, as well as the question of whether we shall have 2¢ on a can of beans, and whether the time store management will demand of us will outweigh the 2¢ saved, if we are to undertake cooperative stores with any hope of success.

How rapidly, then, is our knowledge of cooperatives advancing? Unfortunately the answer seems to be that it is advancing very slowly. Our youngsters are learning about cooperatives through the Cooperative Candy Counters they are running at school, through the thought and effort and pleasure which result, and last but not least, through the patronage returns which their stores are providing. Consumer Discussion Groups are springing up, under the able guidance of Miss Ollie Hoffman, and their investigations of commodities and consumer problems are laying a certain foundation for justification of cooperative enterprises.

But where are the answers to the questions just proposed? -- Where are the discussions which will lead to those answers? Where is the research into the meaning and motive and consequence of the cooperative movement? Where is the active understanding of a cooperative that a lone can lead to the enthusiasm necessary for its success?

Our citizens still speak of our cooperative stores as "similar to Sanitary Groceries", of patronage returns as "Sales inducements", and of the cooperative movement not at all.

The problem is clear. If Greenbelt is to have cooperatives, cooperative education must be begun, and it must

be begun at once. We must see cooperatives from all sides, know them, and take them or leave them. A half-hearted undertaking of cooperative enterprises will benefit neither the cooperative movement nor the citizens of Greenbelt.

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What to do about it?

We should try to ascertain insofar as possible the facts about cooperatives. Those who are now prejudiced in favor of coops should look particularly into their cons; those now prejudiced against coops should look particularly to their pros. We should try to face the issue with an open mind, and let our decision be determined by facts, not fancy -- by thought, not prejudice.

Where to find the facts? Almost every issue of Consumer's Guide, published by the Consumers Counsel of the Department of Agriculture, contains information (usually favorable) about cooperatives. In particular the May 3, 1937 issue tells the story of the launching of Rochdale Stores, Inc., of Washington, D. C. and the Feb. 14, 1938 tells a little about our Greenbelt stores. Consumer's Guide (a "bi-weekly") will be sent without charge to citizens requesting it, or it may be read at our Bus Station - Reading Room.

"Coops: How Far Can They Go" is an informative pamphlet issued free by the Extension Service, Dept. of Agriculture, which includes a bibliography. The March 1937 issue of Fortune had an article on Consumer Cooperatives. The entire issue of May, 1937 of the Annals of American Academy of Political and Social Science is devoted to Cooperatives.

The University of Maryland Library is open to all residents of Greenbelt, and much information on the subject can be found there, as well as in pamphlets to be found in our Drug Store.

In order that we may know just what is going on in this town and in order that we may decide an important issue in our own best interest, we strongly recommend a little spare time investigation of the matter of cooperatives.

Let us avoid the danger that our ultimate decision may be the result of good oratory rather than good sense.

W. R. V.

To the Editor:

Hail the "Cooperative Organizing Committee" and all its implications. Each citizen and voter in Greenbelt has a direct responsibility to every other citizen and their descendants. The responsibility may best be shouldered by COOPERATING to nurture this healthy infant into early maturity.

The recent election of members of the committee was to a great extent, a "hit and miss" affair. Luckily, it hatched a promising and very capable brood. BUT WHAT OF FUTURE ELECTIONS? This committee of nine people will have in its hands the administration of a large investment -- an investment which has been accrued by minor investments of 125 million people and their descendants. This, these nine humans are indirectly responsible to the entire tax-paying population of the United States. The success or failure of our consumer cooperative organization may spell the fate of other embryonic attempts to realize the ideal, and represent the difference between a lost investment, and the payment of dividends. With such a staggering prospect before us, do we want to place such responsibility in the care of untried and or unprepared men and women?

I have every confidence in the ability and willingness of the present incumbents, but I wish to point the way to a more exact method of choosing the members of our Cooperative Organizing Committee by a requirement that each candidate present, either orally or in mimeographed form, a complete statement of education, executive experience, and policy to be followed if elected.

William A. Kinsley

To the Editor:

As we have found in Greenbelt --, "everything comes to him who waits." Among other things we were just pining for the lights, in fact it became so bad we began to resemble moles, feeling our way in the darkness. And then in answer to our entreaties and prayers the lights came on.

Did we get lights? Why, we got Broadway, no less. Lights to the left of us, lights to the right of us and lights behind us. Yes we have them -- lots of them, -- and still we can't see.

Evening comes, on go the lights--we take a stroll along the main drag, (the one that is adorned with the half pint lights), and there we find ourselves gazing into the white glare of the lighting department of the Camp--- Oh! Our conjunctivities and astigmatism get the best of us. We grope around blindly, pass the light and recover our sight barely in time to repeat the process at the next and succeeding one.--- It is so easy to criticise---we will now endeavour to construct.

If the "Powers that Be," could be prevailed upon to issue smoked glasses, our problem would be solved. In the meantime, if bulbs of a lower wattage were inserted or if the frosted globes were tinted on the inside with a color wash of amber---that might help. The latter would be more in keeping with our landscape motif---rolling greensward, summer breezes,---soft lights, etc.

We also think there are far too many lights on the roadways and would suggest every other one be taken down. Even then we are of the opinion there would be ample light. Incidentally, it would reduce our electric bill.

Just one parting shop, Mr. Editor. Pu-lease. Those cute little signes we see in clusters along the path that runs between Crescent and Ridge. Whilst we were admiring their powerful construction and rugged design we found they were vaguely familiar. We pondered and pondered, (Mental aberration made us do this twice), then we had it. The last time we saw their brothers they read something like this, DO YOU WANT----- A BEWHISKERED WIFE -----NO?----- BURMA SHAVE-----We know these signs are very necessary but in order to give them some of the beauty of the surroundings how would it be to plant some,----- say roses (of the climbing variety) that would hide the pipe supports and yet have them cut so they would not interfere with the reading matter.

Really we have no intention of trying to gild the lily.

Respectfully,
Arthur Plackett and other
Greenbeltians

Newcomers to Greenbelt: The Cooperator needs your help. We need TYPISTS - - and we need REPORTERS - - - Come one, Come All--An Open-Arm Welcome Awaits You.

CUSTER'S LAST STAND Volume 1 Number 9

Now that we have chosen our Co-operative Organizing Committee, an excellent committee it is, too; even an also-ran must admit that-but now that we have chosen our committee, there is one thing that we should remind ourselves. It is that although we have delegated administrative authority to the committee, we have not delegated our individual responsibility for the success of our stores. The success of these community enterprises still depends upon us, the also-rans and the never-rans, as well as the leaders.

Therefore, to my fellow "rans", I suggest the following program:

1. Make one of the stores, or part of one store, your special interest; keep watch on the whole set-up, but give particular attention to your specialty. Make a hobby of it.
2. Make yourself as much an authority on that hobby as you can. Learn the price ranges of the products involved; the quality ranges; the tricks of the trade.
3. Notice how other stores compete with yours and evaluate your observations both from the standpoint of the seller and the buyer.
4. Keep close watch on the practices in our stores. Sound out your neighbors about them. Make recommendations, preferably in writing, to the chairman of the sub-committee concerned. Follow up your suggestions to see that definite action of some sort is taken.
5. Attend the monthly public meeting of the COC and the meetings of the Citizens Association, paying careful attention to the Committee's reports and recommendations, and perhaps making special reports of your own.
6. Serve on the sub-committee of your specialty if you can. If you can not, work with it as much as you can.
7. Point out the good in you as well as the bad. A word of appreciation where merited is a valuable contribution many could make, but few do make it. People are prone to discourage--they are not prone to encourage--those who serve them.

Howard C. Custer.
CIVIC FORUM -- TONIGHT -- AUDITORIUM



Mrs. Greenbelt



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MRS. ROOSEVELT SPEAKS AT UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND

On Wednesday morning, April 13, some twenty-five women of Greenbelt were part of a large audience assembled at the University of Maryland to hear Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt speak on "Preparation for Civic Service". The Ritchie Coliseum, vivid with the black and gold University colors, was packed from floor to roof, last comers even standing in the aisles. Visitors and students in gay spring clothes formed a colorful contrast to large sections of cadets in uniform. The address of the morning was preceded by stirring marches played by the University Band and selections by the University Choral Society.

Against this color and stir, Mrs. Roosevelt's talk shone with its quiet force and deep sincerity. She spoke of the need for thorough understanding of such problems as housing, stressing the fact that some people have eyes yet see nothing, ears yet understand nothing. It is not enough, she said, to have a vague desire to improve conditions in one's community; one must know definitely what the conditions are and what steps are most likely to better them.

Mrs. Roosevelt spoke also of the need for improved facilities for recreation. She showed how, in one instance known to her, lack of proper recreation had led directly to crime. A lad stole in order to have money to give himself and his friends a good time, and went on stealing because of the thrill he obtained in out-witting the law. When

better incentives to effort were substituted for this, he gave signs of going straight.

In concluding, Mrs. Roosevelt pointed out that a community was only as good as the individuals who composed it were willing to work to make it good. She said that it could even be judged by strangers by the alertness of its elected representatives. If the community was aware of what was being done in the world, its representatives would also be alert. She cited the instance of a group of representatives in Congress, all professedly interested in making rural life more worthwhile, only one of whom had visited the recent Exhibit of Rural Arts in Washington. The type of community behind that man, she said, was clearly shown.

At the close of her address, Mrs. Roosevelt was presented with a basket of yellow roses by the women students of the University.

COSMETIC STUDY DRAWS CROWD

Consumer Discussion Group No. 11 had a record attendance of twelve members on Tuesday, April 12.

Reports on articles in recent issues of Consumers' Guide were presented by Mrs. Conklin, Mrs. Chase, Mrs. Costing and Mrs. Getzin.

While members who had not been present at the meeting of the week before shuddered over the pictures in The American Chamber of Horrors by Ruth DeForest Lamb, selections were read aloud from a pamphlet issued by the Food and Drug Administration.

entitled "Consumer Save Thyself"

It was decided that since both the purse and the health of the consumer were now attacked by unethical manufacturers of cosmetics and drugs, the only safe way to buy was first to obtain information from reliable consumer research agencies or the government, and to buy simple drugs of U. S. P. standard rather than products with mere fancy names.

An advertisement for Listerine was used to show how utterly extravagant claims for a product might be made without fear of prosecution under the Food and Drug Act of 1906. It was pointed out that one way to arrive at an idea of the value of a product was to compare its labeling and its advertising, as with Listerine, where the label is plain.

Mrs. Getzin contributed to the collection of bad and deceptive containers a "bud-vase" olive oil bottle. She explained that it contained only three tablespoons of oil although the shape of the bottle and the thickness of the glass made it appear to contain much more. By comparing prices and quantities she discovered that the cost of 1/2 pint bought in these bottles would be 53 cents, whereas the same brand of oil in 1/2 pint cans was sold for 29 cents. Members agreed that the bud-vase was scarcely worth a difference of 24 cents in price.

SOCIAL NOTES

Mrs. S. Hartford Downs, 2N Gardenway entertained at a party Friday afternoon in honor of her daughter, Dale, who celebrated her 10th birthday anniversary.

An egg hunt and other games were enjoyed. After the games the guests were served ice cream and cookies. At this time the lighted candles were blown out from the birthday cake, presented to the young hostess by her aunt, Mrs. Elmer D. Drury of 2701 Conn. Ave. Washington, D. C. who was also a guest in the Downs' home for the weekend.

In addition to the group of friends of the small hostess, Mrs. Downs had asked the mothers of some of the young guests in for tea.

Mrs. Roland Langford of 17 Ridge Road entertained at luncheon in honor of her mother from Baltimore who is a visitor to Greenbelt. The luncheon was held in Mrs. Langford's home, April 12, and Miss Ollie Hoffman was the invited guest.

On Tuesday afternoon, April 12, Mrs. Charles Spector, 27 Gardenway, entertained at tea, members of Consumer Discussion Group No. 2. Mrs. Spector has an unusual home with the same floor plan as the Medical Center; she has arranged it most artistically, and from the time the guests range the chimes for admittance they were filled with admiration for her home. Those present included Mrs. Robert Jacobson, Mrs. Oscar Johnson, Mrs. Stanley Rider, and Mrs. Paul Roller, a neighbor from Berwyn, who is anxious to become better acquainted with her neighbors in Greenbelt.

Following their attendance of the speech made by Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt at Maryland University, Wednesday, April 13, Miss Ollie Hoffman, Mrs. Bertha Maryn, and Mrs. Sara Axelrod were entertained at luncheon by Mrs. Stanley Rider.

Mrs. A. W. Thonton of Montreal, Canada is visiting her daughter, Theodora T. Wilson of 19 M Ridge Rd.

Mrs. Bernard Trattler and daughter, Rhona Sue, are at present visiting Mrs. Trattler's mother in Newark, New Jersey.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Carroll, 1A Eastway have as their guests Mrs. Carroll's mother and father, Mr. and Mrs. Charles L. Shepherd, and her cousin, Albert Wilson, from New York.

Mrs. Edmond Dwyer and Miss Ann Dwyer of Syracuse, N.Y., mother and sister of Mrs. Schoeb, are visiting with Mr. and Mrs. William N. Schoeb.

Charlie Stidham, who collided with an automobile two weeks ago, is up and about, and shows little sign of his accident.

THE MENDING BASKET

Button Containers. Try putting your buttons in a wide-mouthed glass jar. The contents can then be seen from the outside.

Patches. Use different widths of black or white tape in mending a small hole or for setting under a button which has pulled out.

Made-overs. The backs of a pair of worn-out gloves, especially men's gloves, make good patches for the knees of a boy's knickers.

Draw Strings. When running in new elastic fasten one end of it to the old elastic and as the old elastic is pulled out the new is pulled in.

MRS. GULLIBLE AWAKENS

Cosmetics C't'd.

In the last few years, consumer consciousness has been on the increase. Organizations spring up daily exposing the insidious methods that producers and manufacturers have employed to ensnare Mr. and Mrs. Gullible Purchaser. Non-profit testing agencies have set up laboratories to analyze and test everything from "soup to nuts". It is now possible to get recommendations on the basis of these tests. Then there are dozens of books; some are startling and dramatic; others written by physicians and chemists, are revealing.

Cosmetics have come in for their share of exposes. As most creams and powders sold today contain harmless ingredients, their greatest sins against Mrs. Gullible are their preposterous claims and unwarranted prices. Unwarranted, unless of course if you sufficiently enjoy advertising over the radio, in newspapers, magazines etc., and to be willing to pay for it in such manner.

Comparison tests for ingredients and price are the best arguments that could be used in fighting fabulous tales of accomplishments.

The following information is taken from analysis made by the Bureau of Health, State of Maine, reported in "The American Chamber of Horrors", by Ruth deForest Lamb, a book every American citizen should read, and in

"Traffic in Health", by Dr. Charles Solomon.

The report, dated February 21, 1935, lists retail prices of ingredients which, if combined, would produce preparations similar to the commercial products specified. No allowance is made for the cost of combining or for other incidental expenses.

Elizabeth Arden Face Powder			
Ser. No. T-24	Selling Price	\$3.00	
	Oz.	Approx. cost	
Talcum	3.863	.0326	
Calcium car-			
bonate	.146	.0013	
Zinc Oxide	.652	.0104	
Starch	.627	.0078	
Perfume	.057	.171	
dye		.005	
Outer Box		.01	
Inner Box		.15	
	5.345 oz.	\$ 0.3381	

Richard Hudnut Face Powder Marvelous			
Ser. No. T-39	Selling Price	\$.55	
	Oz.	Approx. cost	
Talcum	2.15	.018	
Zinc Oxide	0.161	.002	
Zinc Stearate	0.138	.004	
Sienna	0.03	.006	
Perfume		.005	
Container		.03	
	2.479 oz.	\$.065	

(Please note the similarity of ingredients used in the above two powders and the difference in price)

Harriett Hubbard Ayer Special Astringent.

Ser. No. T-28	Selling Price	\$1.75	
	Oz	approx. cost	
Alcohol	6.24	\$.0249	
Oil	0.12	.002	
Alum	0.043	.0003	
Distilled Water			
	5.59	.0056	
Perfume	Trace	.0056	
Bottle		.0500	
	11.993 oz.	\$.0884	

(Please note that the main ingredients of an astringent are alum, water and alcohol.

B. Maryn

EVERYBODY TURN OUT TONIGHT TO HEAR
DR. TAYLOR
8:30 - SCHOOL AUDITORIUM

THE KITCHEN MAID

Here's a main dish to whet any family's finicky "spring appetite".

Stuffed Peppers with Whole KernelCorn

Wash peppers, remove stem ends and seeds, parboil 10 minutes in salted water; drain and fill with meat mixture, inserting three or four asparagus tips in each; sprinkle buttered bread crumbs over top.

Place in pan and bake in moderate oven.

Remove from oven; place collar of pimento around asparagus tips on each pepper.

Pile corn, heated, on platter, dot with butter, sprinkle with paprika; surround with peppers.

Meat Mixture

2 T. butter or margarine

2 T. flour

1 c. milk

$\frac{1}{4}$ t. salt

pepper

1 T Worcestershire
sauce

$\frac{1}{2}$ c. Ham or cooked
meat ground.

bread crumbs

Melt butter or margarine; add flour and mix until well blended; gradually add milk, stirring constantly until thick and smooth; add seasoning. Combine with meat.

Annie Murdock

HOUSEHOLD HINTS

Spinach Sandwiches; Put tender leaves of raw spinach between thin slices of buttered white bread, with salt, but no salad dressing.

Pastry Board; Buy half a yard of white oilcloth. It not only cleans easily and rolls up into small dimensions, but it takes much less flour for molding purposes. The dough does not have a tendency to stick to the slippery surface.

Reheating Pudding; When wanting to use a pudding, such as cottage pudding, a second day, a good way to reheat it is to take a paper bag, pour water in it, wetting on all sides. Pour water out, put in your pudding, twist up opening of bag, put on a pie tin, and place in oven. This steams your pudding as tho it were fresh.

GREENBELT WIDOWS

The "Citizens Set Apart" of Greenbelt had a profitable and consequently, most enjoyable evening with Mrs. Helen Bridges, 25-D Ridge Road on Tuesday evening, April 12. Real estate was the main subject of the evening with some very profitable trading going on, which shows an upward trend in this phase of business. Also there was active bidding on some bridge construction jobs opening from time to time. Those in town needing advice on high finance just drop a note in the box at the Grocery Store to the Widows' Club of Greenbelt. You will receive expert advice.

Mrs. Bridges' mother, Mrs. J. F. Latham of Minneapolis, Minn., who is visiting with her, was honor guest of the evening.

The noses were not out in full number. We hope the next meeting will be more representative of the full strength of the "Citizens Set Apart". Present yourselves, ladies, for the benefit of yourselves and your community. Weighty problems rest upon your shoulders and strength is to be found in a well knit organization.

Mrs. Lydalu Palmer issues a special summons to all Widows requiring their presence at 1-D Eastway on Tuesday, April 26th.

Dr. and Mrs. A. D. Tipton of Bay Shore, Long Island, with their infant son, arrived today for a visit with Mrs. Tipton's mother and sister Mrs. W. H. Blake and Mrs. Lydalu Palmer, of 1-D Eastway.

LEAGUE OF NATIONS ON MILK

An official document (final committee report) recently published by the League of Nations entitled "The Relation of Nutrition to Health, Agriculture and Economic Policy" presents facts assembled by distinguished scientists and economists from 52 nations. In the strongest possible statements, the report presents evidence that a large measure of the departure from good health of the peoples of the world is of a dietary origin and may be prevented only through adequate consumption of the protective foods, among which milk stands prominent.



CHILDREN'S PAGE



"D" IS FOR DAY DREAMS

What did you do during your Easter vacation? Did you go on hikes in the woods? Did you take long bicycle rides? Did you read some good stories? Did you play games? Did you spend any time at all just sitting and thinking how good the world is?

It is good, isn't it?--unless perhaps you have been sick, and then you may think the world hasn't been very good to you. But usually there is something, if you will discover it, that will please you no matter how unhappy you may be.

One little girl spent almost all her vacation in bed. Her friends were outdoors playing in the bright sunshine, and she was very lonesome. And do you know what came in her window and made her room a lovely place? The fragrance of lilac blossoms!

Do you think the world is good? Do you some times plan that when you grow up you'll make it even better? Do you think about what you want to be and all the things you want to do?

Those plans you make are day dreams. Sometimes people say you are "building castles in the air". But if you leave them in the air they will never amount to much. You can begin to build real castles and plans right now if you will act like the man or woman you want to be some day.

FIRST GRADE PLAY

"Snipp, Snapp, Snurr and the Red Shoes" was presented by Mrs. Aberton's First Grade on Tuesday afternoon, April 12. School children and parents and teachers were admitted for the price of one cent. The money went toward buying tea and cookies which were served to the mothers after the play. The mothers used napkins which the children had decorated with Easter baskets and eggs and ducks and chickens.

LONDON BRIDGE IS FALLING DOWN!

Do you know all these verses to London Bridge? You will have a much longer game to play if you will sing all of them. Try it.

"London Bridge is falling down,
Falling down,
Falling down,
London Bridge is falling down,
My fair lady.

Build it up with iron bars,
Iron bars, iron bars;
Build it up with iron bars,
My fair lady.

Iron bars will rust away,
Rust away, rust away;
Iron bars will rust away,
My fair lady.

Build it up with pins and needles,
Pins and needles,
Pines and needles;
Build it up with pins and needles,
My fair lady.

Pins and needles rust and bend,
Rust and bend, rust and bend;
Pins and needles rust and bend,
My fair lady.

Build it up with penny loaves,
Penny loaves, penny loaves;
Build it up with penny loaves,
My fair lady.

Penny loaves will tumble down,
Tumble down, tumble down;
Penny loaves will tumble down,
My fair lady.

FOURTH GRADE DRAMATIC CLUB REPEATS

The Dramatic Club gave "The Dragon's Grandmother" for another group of teachers Tuesday. We used the stage, curtains, and lights. We made some changes. All the Dramatic Club members were in it.

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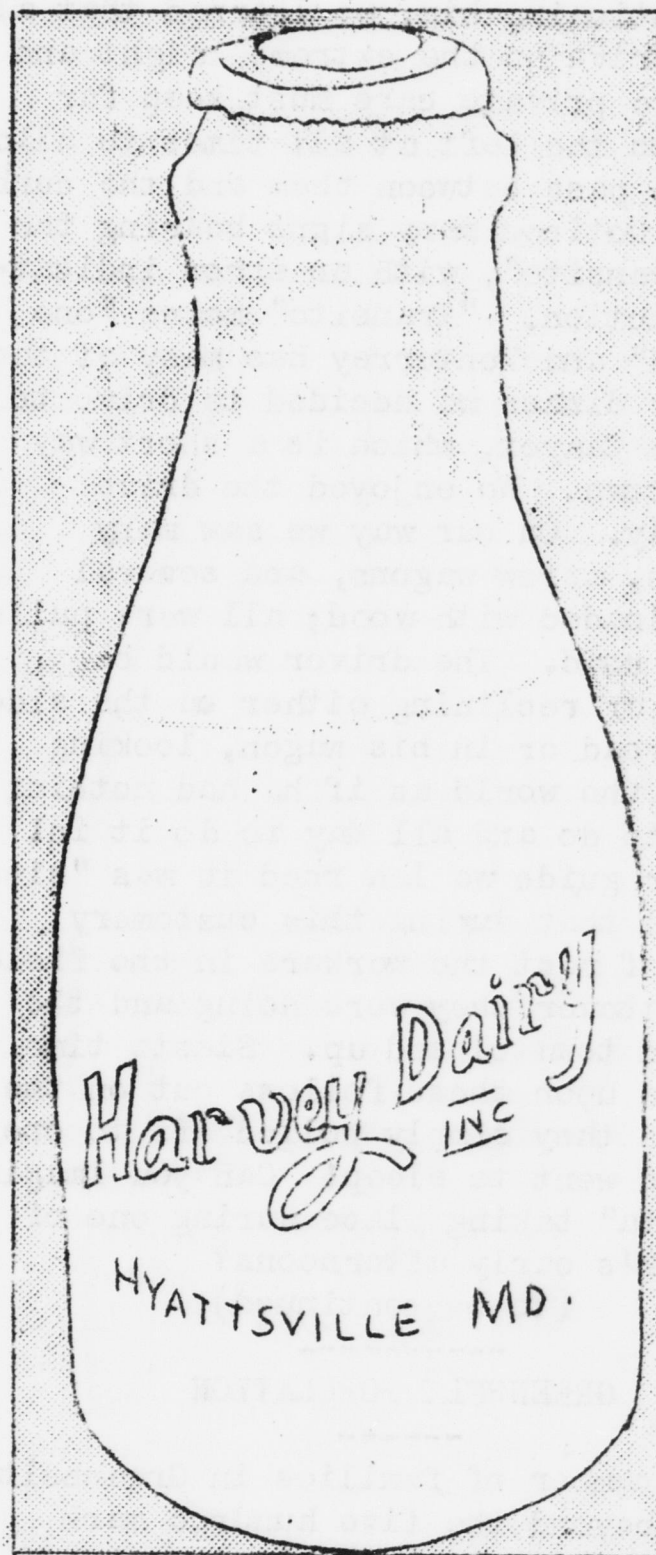
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THE LAND OF ROMANCE

Mary E. Van Cleave

Foreward

We were vacationing in glamorous old Monterrey, Mexico. Our Mexican guide had shown us through the Bishop's Palace, and then taken us to a large brewery, where we were given free beer. Next, he drove us past the beautiful homes of the higher classes, then the poor, small adobe huts; both were colorful with flowers.

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We noticed that our guide was deliberately keeping some distance from the curb. This seemed strange and even foolish to our American eyes. Upon questioning him, we learned that all busses drive on the extreme right and therefore private cars must keep far enough to the left at all times to allow a bus to pass between them and the curb. We also noticed many signs bearing the word "transito", with an arrow indicating direction. "Transito" means "one way road" and Monterrey has many of these.

After dinner we decided to drive to Huasteca Canyon, which is a short way out of town. We enjoyed the drive immensely. On our way we saw many ox-carts, a few wagons, and several burros loaded with wood; all were pulled off the road. The driver would be sitting or reclining either on the side of the road or in his wagon, looking for all the world as if he had nothing at all to do and all day to do it in! From our guide we learned it was "siesta" time and that during this customary period of rest the workers in the field quit whatever they were doing and the shops in town closed up. Siesta time had come upon these fellows out on the road, so they simply pulled off to one side and went to sleep! Can you imagine a "siesta" taking place during one of New York's early afternoons?

(To be continued)

GREENBELT POPULATION

The number of families in Greenbelt soared beyond the five hundred mark last week, totaling 523 last week end.

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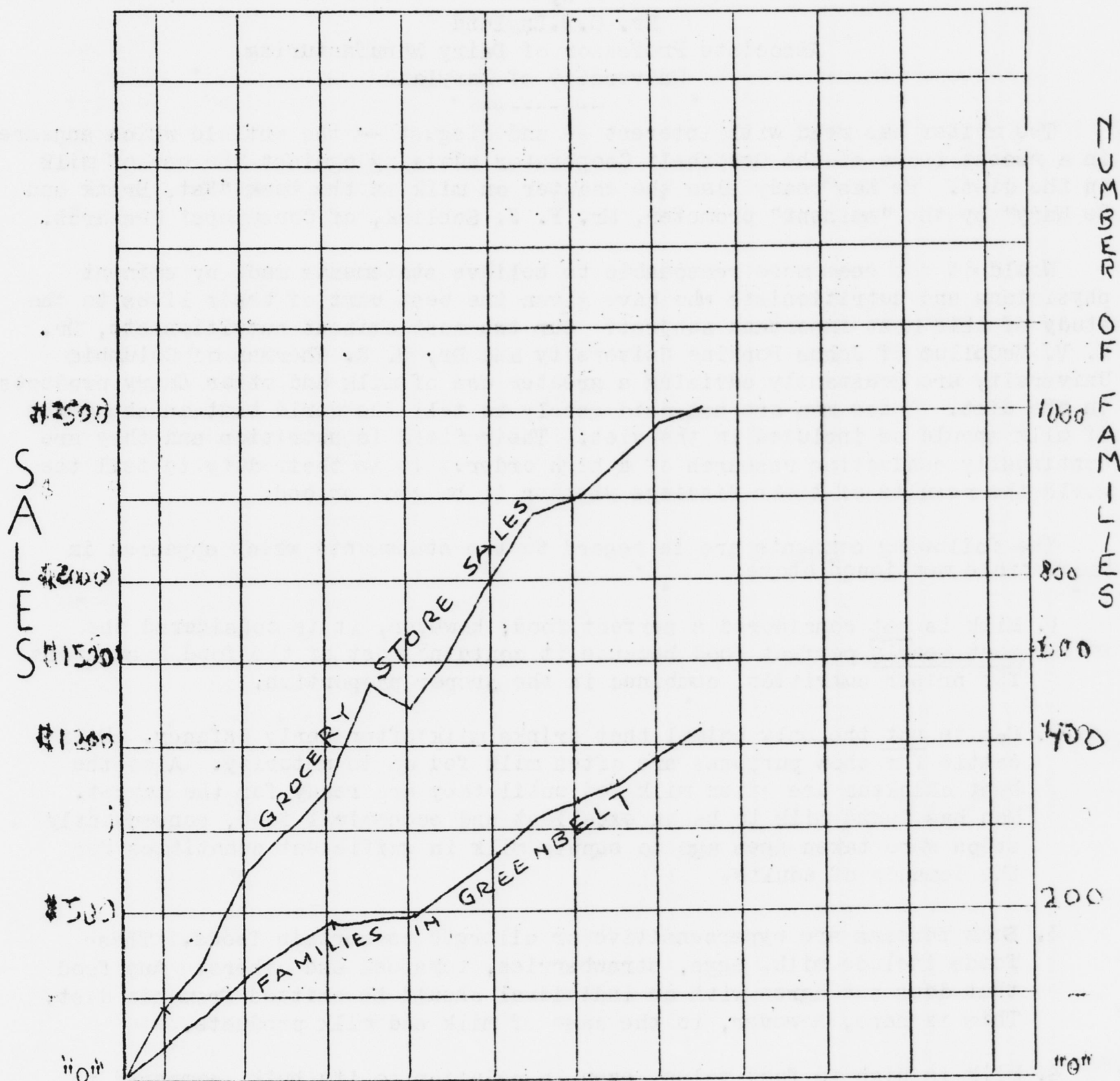
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Number of families in Greenbelt on Dates indicated.

CHILDREN URGED NOT TO PLAY NEAR STORE WINDOWS

The store management has requested that parents advise children not to play near ride vehicles near the store windows for if a child should crash into one of the windows -- (so highly polished by our genial store-cleaner-upper, Willy Henley, as to be almost invisible) serious injury might result.

The Cubs of Den one held their latest meeting at the home of Le Grand Benefiel. They talked over the tests of the Bob Cat. Then they planned a hike, which they took on Thursday, April 14th. On the hike, Mr. Eshbaugh, our Den Dad made a cane on which he will carve the initials of every boy in our Den.

Mahlon Eshbaugh, Den Scribe.

SOME FACTS ABOUT MILK AS A FOOD

By

Dr. C.W. England

Associate Professor of Dairy Manufacturing
University of Maryland

The writer has read with interest -- and disgust -- the article which appeared in a recent issue of the Greenbelt Cooperator advising against the use of milk in the diet. He has ready also the chapter on milk in the book "Eat, Drink and Be Wary" by the "eminent" promoter, Mr. F. J. Schlink, of Consumers' Research.

Would it not seem more reasonable to believe statements made by eminent physicians and nutritionists who have given the best part of their lives to the study of this most important subject? Our two most eminent nutritionists, Dr. L. V. McCollum of Johns Hopkins University and Dr. H. C. Sherman of Columbia University are constantly advising a greater use of milk and other dairy products in the diet. These men are not paid merely to tell the world that an abundance of milk should be included in the diet. Their field is nutrition and they are continually conducting research of a high order. It is their duty to tell the world the results of their findings whether it be good or bad.

The following comments are in regard to the statements which appeared in the article mentioned above:

1. Milk is not considered a perfect food, however, it is considered the most nearly perfect food because it contains most of the food essentials for proper nutrition, combined in the proper proportion.
2. Man is not the only animal that drinks milk after early infancy. Beef cattle for show purposes are often milk fed up to maturity. Also the best chickens are often milk fed until they are ready for the market. Man has found milk to be an excellent and economical food, consequently steps were taken ages ago to supply milk in sufficient quantities for the demands of adults.
3. Some persons are hypersensitive or allergic to certain foods. These foods include milk, eggs, strawberries, tomatoes and others. Any food that does not agree with an individual should be omitted from his diet. This is rare, however, in the case of milk and milk products.
4. Milk is high in food value, even in relation to its bulk, compared to many other foods. A comparison of the food value and relative bulk of milk with some other common foods show milk is less bulky per unit of food value. One pint of four percent milk (17 oz.) is equivalent in food energy value to any one of the indicated weights of the following foods:

Bananas	18.7 oz.	Onions	27.0 oz.
Canned peas	21.0 "	Grapefruit	35.0 "
Apples	25.3 "	Cabbage	45.0 "

5. Milk contains approximately 87 per cent water. The water content of other common foods follow:

Round Steak	65%	Parsnips	83%	Carrots	88%	Celery	94%
Eggs	65%	Apples	84%	Peaches	89%	Lettuce	94%
Potatoes	78%	Onions	87%	Turnips	90%	Tomatoes	94%

All of these are solid foods yet a number of them contain more water than does milk. The important point to bear in mind, however, is the digestibility of the solid portion or dry matter in these foods. Many of these contain considerable undigestible fibre while 98 to 99 per cent of the dry matter in milk is entirely digested and readily assimilated.

6. The calcium present in milk exists largely in organic combination. The calcium in milk is thus superior and is better assimilated than calcium obtained from vegetables or other sources. Milk is a richer source of available calcium than saturated lime water.

7. Milk is a very inexpensive food and is not a luxury. A comparison of the food value and relative cost of milk with some other common foods prove this statement. One quart of four per cent milk is equal in food energy value to any one of the indicated weights of the following foods:

Sirloin steak	11.0 oz.
Round steak	16.2 "
Chicken	14.0 "
Turkey	10.3 "
Halibut Steak	23.0 "
Salmon, dressed	18.2 "
White bread	9.0 "
Bananas	37.4 "
Beets	64.5 "
Peas, canned	42.0 "
Potatoes, white	35.5 "
Potatoes, sweet	24.1 "

These figures indicate that one quart of milk is equivalent in food energy value to approximately one pound (16.2 oz.) of round steak. Assume a quart of milk costs 14 cents. Can round steak be bought for 14 cents per 16.2 ozs.? With milk at 14 cents per quart, its food value equivalent in the form of round steak would cost 32 cents. Similar comparisons can be made with the other foods listed. This list could be extended almost

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to the number of available foods.

These facts are not to be construed as an argument for substituting milk for other foods, but to demonstrate that in cutting down the use of milk, one is dispensing with an article of food that is relatively inexpensive.

A few other statements concerning the food value of milk follow:

1. Milkfat is one of the most easily digestible fats we eat, because it is present in a finely divided state, and is more easily accessible to the digestive juices. It is of greater physiological value because it is itself a mixture of fats.
2. The protein of milk is a complete protein because it contains all the amino acids (units of the protein molecule) necessary for proper nutrition.
3. Milk sugar aids in the development of a desirable intestinal flora, in the assimilation of calcium and phosphorus, and it produces firmer flesh than ordinary sugar.
4. Milk contains a large assortment of minerals (15 to 20). Of these calcium and phosphorus are probably of greatest importance. Milk is not only an excellent source of calcium, but is also an excellent source of phosphorus.
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These facts stated herein have been obtained from a large number of scientific treatises comprising original reports of research and authoritative text books.

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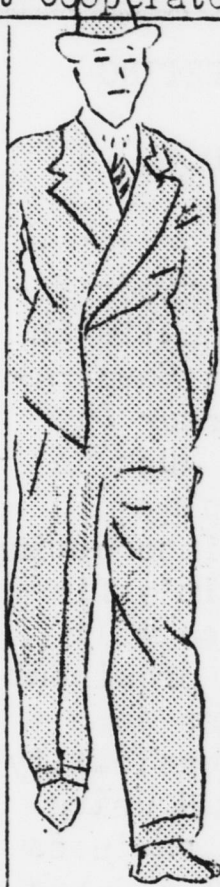
"One of the most stupid ideas is this theory of isolation", said Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt, speaking at Hurst Hall, on the American University Campus.

Mrs. Roosevelt declared that America is bound to feel the impact of what happens in other nations in spite of attempts to live to itself. She said that this attitude would bring war upon us before we knew it, although we might be more fortunate than other nations in having more time.

In Mrs. Roosevelt's opinion, America's role is a middle one between isolation and active alliance with the democratic nations.

She warned her hearers however, that co-operation between democratic powers is more complicated than appears at first sight.

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JOURNALISTIC CLUB MEETING

Special Charter Day
Edition Approved

At the meeting in the newspaper office last Wednesday, the Journalistic Club authorized the Greenbelt Cooperator to publish a special Charter Day Edition, Wednesday, June 1. Such an edition will be a public display of all town activities and all interesting items concerned with Greenbelt's first year of growth. The Club also will sponsor a program at which a prominent speaker will appear to discuss some subject relative to the responsibility of the Federal Government in Housing.

The Club's very efficient business manager, Mr. Morris Coff, offered his resignation because of the pressure of his regular line of business. The resignation was politely refused and a motion carried to allow 25% of all advertising instead of the previous 10% to the business manager. Whether or not this will be inducement for Mr. Coff to continue his good services, has not yet been ascertained. The Club was assured by Mr. Coff, that the successful operation of the business management of the newspaper demanded practically full time on the part of the business manager. He stressed the fact that he did not want the job, as he could not carry the work and maintain efficiency in his regular line of sales work.

Business and financial reports were given by Mr. Coff and Mr. McWilliams, treasurer. The reports were unanimously adopted and the treasurer commended for his fine records.

Mr. Guy Moore, Chairman of the Committee on Business Policy stated that only one written plan of operation for the newspaper had been received, other than the one temporarily in force and previously reported in the newspaper. The Committee will still hold hearings for anyone desiring to submit a plan. Mr. Moore also informed the Club along the line of printing the Cooperator, which is the future ambition of the Club.

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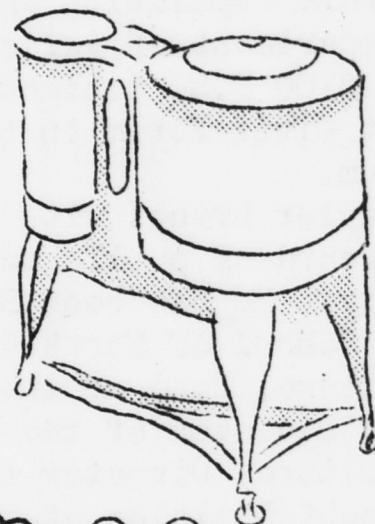
TO GREENBELT

There's a little town that
Nestles 'mongst the pines,
Where the breeze is fresh,
And skies are clear and blue,
And the sun shines into
Every little window,
And every blade of grass is
Sweet with dew.

There's a mocking bird
That sings there in the moonlight,
And the little lighted windows
Shine like stars,
Oh there's rest there, it's a
Refuge from the city with
Its chaos, and it's talk of woes
and wars.

It is filled with really smiling,
happy faces,
For our hopes are like our homes;
All bright and new,
It's a little place we murmur
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Gilbert Sullivan in Zane Grey's

"THUNDER TRAIL"

Frank McHugh in "HE COULDN'T SAY NO"

Chap. 5 "THE MYSTERIOUS PILOT"

SOCIAL LEADER TO CONDUCT FORUM TONIGHT

Dr. Carl C. Taylor, Head of the Division of Farm Population and Rural Life of the Department of Agriculture, will speak at 8:00 P.M. tonight before the Greenbelt Civic Forum in the School Auditorium.

Dr. Taylor brings with him an enviable record of public service and popularity. He has been Dean of the Graduate School of North Carolina State College, Head of the Subsistence Homestead Division of the Department of Agriculture, Director of the Rural Resettlement Division of Farm Security. He has been an instructor in public speaking, and he has served as an athletic coach. He is a past president of American Country Life Association, a past vice-president of the American Sociological Society, and is now president of the D. C. Sociological Society.

But more than all that, his talks are entertaining as well as instructive, and Greenbelt is honored to be able to add his name to the list of distinguished speakers on its Forum Roster.

DISTINGUISHED VISITORS

Among the visitors to Greenbelt last week were Miss Mary Buckley, of Hartford Conn., a trustee of Connecticut College, New London, Conn., and Miss Katherine Blunt, of New London Conn., President of Connecticut College.

On Thursday, April 14, Miss Buckley and Miss Blunt, who were visiting in Washington, made a trip to Greenbelt to see for themselves what they had been hearing so much about.

They were much impressed by the Cooperative stores, and were much interested to observe the community interest in the stores. The daughter of Dr. Warbasse, a leading authority on Cooperatives, graduated from Connecticut College several years ago.

The ladies were also much interested in our school building, and remarked on its beauty, as well as its numerous up-to-date provisions for the health and comfort of the school children.

COMMITTEE ON CHURCH ORGANIZATION
TO RECOMMEND MINISTER TO CONGREGATION

Sunday morning at 11.00 A.M. the committee on Church organization of the Greenbelt Community Church will present to the congregation its recommendation for Greenbelt's minister.

After careful consideration the committee has made a unanimous choice, and all church-goers are urged to be present on Sunday to consider the committee's recommendations.

NEIGHBORHOOD COOPERATIVES IN OPERATION

A new form of the neighborly and cooperative spirit of Greenbelt has taken shape in these last few days of spring weather. Lease requirements provide that the residents of Greenbelt must care for the grounds in front and in back of their homes. Most Greenbelt residents moved to Greenbelt from crowded city dwellings where no lawn space was available or where it was taken care of by the landlord. The problem of proper equipment, hose, lawn mowers, etc. therefore became acute.

Some enterprising groups of residents are collecting their collective resources and purchasing one set of equipment for their entire neighborhood. It is found that it is particularly convenient for one or two rows to pool their pennies for purchasing proper paraphernalia for grass grooming.

HELP WANTED

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

April 20	Dr. Taylor	8.00 P.M.	School Auditorium
21	Drug Store and Barber Shop		
	Preview	7.30 P.M.	Community Center
21	Health Association Meeting	8.30 P.M.	Social Room
21	American Legion	8.00 P.M.	Meeting Room
22	Boy Scouts	7.30 P.M.	School
23	Church Social	8.00 P.M.	
23	Brownies	4.00 P.M.	Home of Brownie Owl
23	Credit Union Office Hours	5.00 P.M. to 7.00 P.M.	Meeting Room
24	Catholic Sunday School	8.30 A.M.	School
24	Mass	9.00 A.M.	School
24	Sunday School	9.30 A.M.	School
24	Church	11.00 A.M.	Auditorium
24	Young Peoples Society		
	Church Group	7.00 P.M.	Music Room
26	Widows' Club		1-D Eastway
30	Washington National Ballet	8.15 P.M.	School Auditorium
May 6 & 7	Three Plays by the "Greenbelt Players"		
	"The Bathroom Door", "Phipps", "Danger".		Greenbelt Theatre

NOTICE

NO LADIES GYM TONIGHT ----- NO JOURNALISTIC CLUB TONIGHT
Our lady gymnasts, through their instructor, Mrs. Jacobsen, have very generously relinquished their right to the Auditorium for tonight so that the Civic Forum Program, featuring Dr. Taylor, may be presented.

Gymnasts and Journalists come and hear Dr. Taylor.

GREENBELT FEDERAL CREDIT UNION FINANCIAL AND STATISTICAL REPORT

BALANCE SHEET, March 31, 1938:

Assets		Liabilities	
Loans	\$1701.78	Accounts Payable	\$ 25.40
Cash in Bank	268.53	Shares	1957.72
Petty Cash Fund	5.00	Reserve for Bad Loans	38.96
Unamortized Charter Fee	25.00	Profit and Loss	(21.77)
Total Assets	\$2000.31		\$2000.31

STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENSE, QUARTER ENDING MARCH 31, 1938:

Expenses this year to date		Income this year to Date	
Stationery and Supplies	29.85	Interest on loans	15.15
Advertising	.50	Entrance Fees	38.50
Communications	1.42	Fines	.46
Miscellaneous General	5.40	Cash over and short	..25
Trans. to Reserve for Bad Loans	38.96	Balance (Loss)	21.77
Total	\$ 76.13	Total	\$ 76.13

STATISTICAL REPORTS, MARCH 31, 1938:

Loans			Shares and Members	
Made this Month	No.	Am't	Paid on Shares this Month	\$ 816.42
Repaid this Month	--	113.22	Withdrawn on Shares this Month	39.00
In Force at End of Month	32	1701.78	Total Paid in on Shares since	
Total Loaned Since Organization			Organization	2003.47
	33	1875.00	Total Withdrawn on Shares since	
Loans Delinquent (One Month or Less)			Organization	45.75
	4	11.78	New Members this month	26
			Total Members End of Month	147
			Total Members Since Organization	148

CLASSIFIED ADS

NOTE: When addresses are given below, their sole purpose is to enable prospective purchasers to locate prospective vendors. They do not indicate that sales of merchandise or services will be made at the home of the vendor, as this would be contrary to vendor's rental agreement, under which Greenbelt homes may not be used for commercial purposes.

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 Jr. Class (9 to 15 yrs) 2:30 P.M. Sat.
 Women's Tap Class 7:30 P.M. Mon.
 Location - Meeting room above Drug Store.
 Mrs. Shirley Land 8-A Hillside
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